

TWENTY ITALIANS DROWNED

FRENCH MEET FRANCIS

MERRIAM QUIT THE CENSUS

ARREST WOMAN FOR CRIME

IDAHO SOLONS LET GO

VERDICT AT BRITT INQUEST

Ferry Boat Crushed by Logs and Ice
Sinks in Midstream at Glenn Falls N. Y.
Frightened Italian Jumps Overboard With Guide Rope
Glenn Falls, N. Y., March 7.—A small ferry boat while crossing river below Spliers dam this morning sank in mid stream. Twenty Italian laborers were drowned. As they were in midstream a jam of logs and ice crashed into the boat. One Italian becoming frightened sprang overboard, seizing the tackle rope as he went. This caused the boat to swerve broadside on, taking the full force of the ice. Italians say the exact loss of life will not be known until the roll call where they were working, but the way may reach more than twenty. It is definitely known that four were drowned. The others supposed to be dead were swept far down the stream before they reached the shore.

Exposition President, Banqueted
Occasion Develops into a Genuine Love Feast
America Taught France How to Govern Herself
Paris, March 7.—The banquet given by the French exhibitors at St Louis exposition this morning to President Francis resolved itself into a great France-American demonstration. Almost the entire French cabinet were present, also members of the American embassy and 500 prominent French and American business men. It was announced that \$125,000 were already appropriated for the exhibit. The minister of commerce, Trouillot, made a speech in which he said France and America were irrevocably united through the descendants of Washington and LaFayette. The example of America was the cause of France's prosperity, because it taught her the lesson how to found, as well as to preserve a Republican form of government.

Work is Practically Completed
Ex-Congressman Mercer Will Probably Succeed Him
Bowen Still Signing Protocols—Belgiums the Last
Washington, March 7.—Former Governor Merriam, of Minnesota, the director of the census, called on the President this morning and formally tendered his resignation, to take effect May 15th, when the labors of the 12th census will be practically completed. He leaves the government service to become President of a mercantile agency in New York. Former Congressman Mercer will probably be appointed to succeed him. The Belgian Protocol was signed this morning by Bowen, representing Venezuela, and the Belgian minister. The instruments are practically identical with those of the other powers.

Is Cross Questioned by Police
Marion Hutchinson Suspected of Killing Burdick
She is Young, Beautiful, and a Friend of the Dead Man
Buffalo, March 7.—A woman has been taken into custody in the Burdick murder case. She was brought to police headquarters at 8 o'clock this morning. The police guard her identity closely. Although there is considerable excitement and curiosity no one is able to learn who she is. The police say her name has never been mentioned with the case. She is being questioned by the district attorney and heads of the police department. The general belief is that she was one of Burdick's employees. A later dispatch says it has been learned the woman arrested is Marion Hutchinson, well known to Burdick. She is young and very handsome. Marion Hutchinson was released this afternoon by Superintendent of Police Hall, who said the girl was employed at Burdick's factory, and it had been intimated that she could give valuable information concerning the murder. She was taken to headquarters for that purpose.

Adjourned at Noon Today
Levied a Tax on Mines that is Powerless
Defeated Eight Hour Law—Made Big Appropriations
Boise, Idaho, March 7.—The legislature, which adjourned today, is noted for passing the mine tax bill, which doesn't tax, defeating the eight-hour bill, and the employers' liability bill. The appropriations are the largest in the history of the state.

Took the Morphine Sleeper Route
Madge Wright Tells What She Knows Concerning Him
He Came From Minnesota and had Considerable Money
North Yakima, Wash., March 7.—The coroner's jury in the W. W. Britt inquest this evening returned a verdict that he came to his death by morphine poisoning, the drug being administered by some person or persons unknown to them. The evidence was circumstantial, and was not sufficient directly to implicate any person. Miss Madge Wright, daughter of Professor L. Wright, dancing teacher of this place, who claims that she was married to a 19-year-old boy at Seattle on December 5, 1902, said that she had been living with Britt before and since her last marriage as his wife. Britt roomed with the Wrights, and when he retired the night before his death he made the unusual request for a pitcher of water. The old man gave him the water, and he retired. Britt was from Morris, Minn., and was worth considerable money. The county attorney has taken the matter up, and will make an attempt to find the guilty party.

CHANGES IN THE NAVY
Captain Perry Goes to New York Navy Yard
Washington, March 7.—The navy department has decided to detach Captain Perry from the command of the Iowa, and assign him to duty at the New York navy yard, relieving Captain Barclay, who goes to Washington to take command of the Bremerton yards. Mansfield will be placed in command of the Iowa and Wilde goes to the Boston navy yard.

A BOLD HOLD UP IN FRISCO
Robber Takes \$850 from Chinese Merchant at Bank Door
San Francisco, March 7.—Ah Gow, a Chinese merchant, was held up by a footpad in a crowded street, at the door of the Bank of California, and robbed of \$850, at 11 o'clock today. The robber escaped with the money, which was all in coin.

STRIKE GROWING LARGER
Five Hundred Men Ordered Out at Winnipeg
Vancouver, B. C., March 7.—The Canadian Pacific strike came near to a settlement at 1:30 this morning. The railroad company insisted that the freight foremen be non-union, and the strikers refused, so the settlement is off. Five hundred men at Winnipeg were ordered out today.

A CAR COMPANY FINED
Pays \$5,000 for Killing 14 and Injuring 60
Groversville, Ind., March 7.—The Mountain Lake Electric Company was today fined \$5000 for manslaughter in the second degree on account of the accident on July 4th last, when 14 were killed and 60 injured by a runaway car.

AFRICA IMITATES AMERICA
Bucking Horse Defeats the Robbers Plans
Johannesburg, March 7.—A desperate attempt at highway robbery in the center of Johannesburg was made today. Two men attacked two customs officers, conveying \$25,000 to the bank, and, throwing pepper in their eyes, secured the money bags, which they threw to a horseman, who galloped off. The horseman, in his flight, knocked down a man named Brandon, who was killed. Subsequently the horse bolted and unseated its rider, who was then arrested and the money recovered.

BOOTH GOES TO ENGLAND
Helen Mora the Actress in Critical Condition
New York, March 7.—General Booth sailed for England this afternoon on the Campanian. Helen Mora, the actress, is critically ill with cancer of the breast, and has canceled all her engagements.

TENNESSEE RIVALS INDIANA
331 Graves Opened 225 are Found Empty
Coroner Hackney recently began an inquest over the dead body of a man found in a zinc trunk at the county cemetery, at Knoxville, Tenn. Sexton Payne testified that a man whose name he did not know brought the trunk to the cemetery. Squire Moffatt of the investigation committee is now examining all burial certificates and other papers issued in connection with pauper burials for the last six years. The committee has up to this time opened 321 graves, and 225 of these have been found to contain empty coffins.

Ohio Valley Is Flooded
Paducah, March 7.—Lowland residents continue to move their property. The danger line was passed last night, and the river is 40 feet above low water at 10 o'clock this morning. The situation in the lower Ohio valley is serious. The river is certain to rise for five or six days yet, and it will reach a higher point than at any time since the disastrous flood of 1884.


Other Roads Not Affected.
St. Louis, March 7.—Grand Master Lee, of the Brotherhood of Trainmen, officially denies the statement that in the event of the Wabash strike the other roads will go out, out of sympathy. He says the fight will be confined to the Wabash.

Cyclone in Illinois
Dahlgreen, Ill., March 7.—A cyclone swept the country east of this city this morning, completely wrecking several buildings in its path, and damaging fields, but injuring no one.

Pope is Better.
Rome, March 7.—Lapponi, the Pope's physician, today announced that His Holiness' condition was again satisfactory. He said the receptions incident to the jubilee would be resumed Monday.

Another Strike Ordered.
Philadelphia, March 7.—A general strike order has been issued against the American Bridge Company by the Bridge and Structural Iron Workers.

Fresh Today
Taffy and Peanut Candy
at
Zinn's
154 State St. Phone 2874 Main.
The Alamo fight occurred 67 years ago today.

Jos. Meyers & Sons

New Waists
For Spring
Another shipment of Shirt Waists reached us yesterday. The new line now ranges in price from
50c to \$6.00
Call and see them.

Under-Muslins
We are still hammering away at those great bargains in Muslin Underwear.
13c, 17c, 28c, 55c, 80c, \$1.10
Six lines of the greatest values ever in Salem.

THE NEW YORK RACKET
Has been with you Eleven Years
It has started as one of the smallest stores in the city, but by careful management and close attention to the wants of its patrons it has continued to grow until its present large room is too small for the requirements of the business.
We shall add the adjoining room to our present quarters about **MARCH 10.**
We have a well selected stock of **DRY GOODS** coming for the new room.
Our policy with the new lines added shall be the same as with our present lines. **ONE PRICE TO ALL. AND THAT THE VERY LOWEST FIGURED ON A SPOT CASH BASIS.** Our great volume of business enables us to buy at the closest quantity prices. We discount every bill and mark our goods to give customers the benefit of every saving of our modern business methods.
We want to keep on growing and it will pay you to help us grow.
Salem's Cheapest One Price Cash Store
E. T. BARNES, Proprietor.
Corner of Commercial and Chemeketa

Foreign Telegrams.
Cubans are not unanimous in ratifying the treaty with this country. Senator Sangulilly denounced it, and said it was in the interest of the American trusts.
The volcano of Colima is again in eruption, that of today being the most violent outbreak of the present disturbance.
Admiral Glass telegraphs the secretary of the navy that indications point to the victory of Bonilla in Honduras.
The Shamrock III, says Sir Thomas Lipton, will be launched on St. Patrick's day.
Turkish minister says Turkey has been working for months to establish reforms in Macedonia.
German papers warn their manufacturers that they must employ American methods, or be driven out of the world's markets.
Work will be commenced on the Columbia river jetty within two weeks. The treasury department today paid South Carolina \$89,137 for claims growing out of the war of 1812.

New Head of the Naval Academy.
Captain Willard Herbert Brownson, U. S. N., the newly appointed superintendent of the Naval academy, entered the navy just too late to see service in the civil war, yet he has a brilliant record. He is a native of New York state and is fifty-seven years old.

